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## Thanksgiving to God

By REV. R. A. YOUNG, Pastor, Methodist Church

An American people and citizens of the City of Torrance we are grateful to God this Thanksgiving. We are grateful to Our Father for this wonderful world; for the beauties of earth; for the fragrance of flowers; for the laughter of children; for the industry of men and women and for all the gifts of love.

Romans and the Greeks observed their autumn festivals of praise to the goddesses of fertility and harvest. We are thankful for "things", but we are thankful for the GIVER—for all perfect gifts come from the Father of us all. We are thankful for His gift, even Jesus Christ and the Church which He purchased with His own death.

## Two Banks Here Will Send Out \$28,000 in Christmas Club Checks; New Clubs for 1929 Opening

Christmas checks from Christmas Savings clubs of the two Torrance banks will be mailed to members within the next few days.

J. W. Leech of the Bank of Italy and J. W. Post of the First National bank of Torrance both expressed enthusiasm over the clubs during the past year. They report that only a few memberships became inactive during the 12 months.

The amounts of the checks to be mailed out by the two banks vary from \$12.50 to \$500.

The business relations committee of the Chamber of Commerce today urged members in the Christmas clubs to spend the Christmas money in Torrance where it was earned and saved and where the banks offered the service to the public.

The Christmas club is an American institution because it has had the support of more than 8,000,000 members and this fact alone has been responsible for its phenomenal success. There is a keen enjoyment in bringing pleasure to those who are near and dear to each one. There is an added joy in giving a very tangible expression to the spirit of helpfulness at the Christmas season.

The Christmas Club has created millions of permanent savers throughout the entire country. More than 8000 banks support the Christmas Club idea.

A cordial invitation is extended by the banks to join for the coming year. There are no dues, no fines, no membership fees. Most clubs cost money, these clubs bring money.

Mrs. I. C. Rous was called to Dallas, Texas on account of the illness of her sister, Mrs. Rous, accompanied by her daughter, Marcia, left on Thursday of last week for the East.

## Reporter Attends Sixth Grade; Finds School Plenty Different from Days When She Was a Kid

By BUDDIE DARNELL

School days, school days, dear old Golden Rule days—readin' and writin' and 'rithmetic! Visiting the sixth grade at the Torrance Elementary school the other day brought back memories of other days—days when you sat and sat and sat listening to the teacher tell you about things you didn't give whoop about and all the time thinking about spring was here, and the old swimmin' hole would soon be just right for swimmin', providing you could slip away from ma. Listening to the birds and bees happy with the coming of the winter while you were sitting and watching the brown and red leaves flutter from the trees.

The bell rang all too soon, and then came the orderly marching from there to the next class, which was reading. Here they were celebrating national book week and books lined the blackboard, "Robinson Crusoe," "Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm," "many of the good old timers, and as many new ones. After taking a short test, the children were allowed to browse around, looking at the books. Some were ordering copies for their home, others just looking and prizing.

All this near the close of a tired day, when just sitting in one place all day had begun to play on the childish nerves. But at that past now—for under the new departmental system, children past the primary age move from room to room for their studies, with different teachers every hour. No sitting and sitting in one place and getting less, as in the old days, for the constant changing from room to room, with new teachers, new methods of teaching and interesting subjects keep the childish mind interested.

But let us follow some sixth grade students this morning. Arriving at school a few minutes to nine, I was directed to the room where sixth graders were to have their writing lesson—but on learning that some of them had arithmetic that hour, I chose the latter. The room was large and every seat was filled. Sixth graders occupied part of the seats, and sixth graders the rest.

A mark of patriotism was shown when the morning was begun with the salute to the flag and the pledging of allegiance to it. Then the lesson began—not the old type where the teacher says "turn to page 58, Johnny can you explain problem 12?" Mary take problem 12 to the board, work it and explain why you worked it that way."

Just how it started I failed to grasp, for before I knew it every child had his own pencil and paper and was working away. And each one on a different problem, or perhaps a different set of problems. Only when Mrs. Young, the teacher, asked how many desired assistance, did the little hands go up, and then—only then was there a smack of the old time days, for the children asked the same question that teachers asked their arithmetic teachers years ago.

Mrs. Young explained to me that under the new system, children accomplished work not as a class, but as an individual. When each child completes a certain amount of work, he is given credit for it, and goes on with the next given amount, etc.

Even the old way of disposing of gum has passed—in the old days teacher came around and held her hand and you spat the offensive cud into it—now teachers only glance at the offender and he dutifully marches up and drops it into the waste basket.

Bells ring and nice orderly lines of pupils march into the next classroom. Spelling came next—and how the youngsters seem to hate the routine of learning to spell. And after all, what's the use of trying to spell, when there are nice interesting things like harmonica band rehearsals coming up?

Recess, and children return to their "home room" for lunches, study and what not. Supervisors are on duty at the playground and all in all the bell calls everything to a halt.

To the next class now—what is history or civics? Time is divided, some days history and some days civics. Today is history. Ah, here is delight, now I'll get to see how much they know about the world war. But advanced methods in education have again fooled me, for I am informed that ancient history is the subject taught. Hip Zowie! Imagine sixth graders studying ancient history!

But Miss Murphy, the teacher, says they love it, so you never can tell! Next thing they'll be teaching logic, calculus, etc., and then there won't be any need for college or even high school. So all you people who are spending millions for fine college edifices better watch out. You're pouring money into buildings that will stand idle from lack of use!

Today they are being quizzed on their ancient history, so I'll quietly slip out and see what the English class is doing.

Fully expected them to be reading Chaucer and analyzing it, but instead, found them attacking good old fashioned pronouns. At last!

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Among the more important additions to the line is Westinghouse electric ranges.

The shop equipment and motor repair department has been greatly improved and Mr. Scott says under the new arrangement he will be "on call" for service day and night at telephone 557.

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Gustave Deweppe, a former resident of Torrance, died recently from heart trouble at his home, 1924 So. San Joaquin street, Stockton, at the age of 71 years. Mr. Deweppe was a glass blower, and for some time was employed here in the local factory.

He leaves a wife, three daughters and a step-son, August Leger, who was also employed at the glass factory here.

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